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Town Topics.

**WHAT OUR PEOPLE ARE DOING.
ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED
UP ABOUT TOWN.**

"A City That is Set on a Hill Can-
not Be Hid."

Julia Stearns of Riley, was in
town Tuesday.

Albert Brooks of Grafton, was in
town Monday.

Claud Mills of Portland was in
town over Sunday.

A. P. Chandler of Lakeside, N.H.,
was in town Thursday.

B. C. Snyder of North Conway,
spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Flavilla Brown spent a
portion of last week in Gilead.

Miss Mand Clark of Portland,
is visiting Miss Alice Chamberlain.

Stulman Littlehale of Riley
Plantation, was in town Monday.

Horatio T. Chase, the lumber
king, of Upton, was in town Tues-
day.

The Ladies' Club will meet
Thursday afternoon at Garland
Chapel.

Hastings Bros. have recently
received a car load of drain pipe
and fittings.

Geo. Haggood of Boston, is vis-
iting his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Frank Haggood.

About fifty pounds of our school
paper has gone but we have a
plenty more—5 cents per pound.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nevers of
Norway, visited their daughter
Mrs. Herbert Young, last week.

Thomas Hutchins has moved
from the Godwin house on Main
street, to the Lyon farm on Grover
Hill.

E. A. Wyman was in town the
last of the week in the interest of
the corn shop. He reports an
average acreage.

The Ladies' Circle of the M. E.
church will serve ice cream and
cake at Relief Corps hall next
Thursday evening.

R. E. L. Farwell is handling
some fine strawberries which are a
genuine rarity and are selling at
a reasonable price.

Rev. Arthur Varley has been
engaged by the Senior class of
Gould's Academy to deliver the
baccalaureate sermon.

Miss Alice Chamberlain has re-
turned from Portland where she
has been pursuing studies in mu-
sic during the past winter.

A. E. Herriek, Fred E. Bean, N. F.
Brown and E. S. Kilborn attended
the second district Republican con-
vention in Lewiston, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Chapman,
Madame Maconda, Kronold and
Mr. Weeden will be the guests of
Dr. and Mrs. Gehring, on May 19.

A large and complete stock of the
world famous Queen Quality shoes
can be found at Caylon Rowe's. A
new lot just opened. Call and ex-
amine them.

Teachers remember that the Ox-
ford County Teachers' Convention
will be held next Friday and Sat-
urday, at Canton. It is hoped that
all of our teachers will attend.

The Stranger, the school paper of
Bridgton Academy, and The
Echo, the school paper of the East-
ern State Normal School at Castine
are being printed at the News of-
fice.

The birch, shuck and lumber
business of Mr. I. S. Morrill em-
ploys some sixteen men. In the
Kilborn mill Mr. George Kneeland
is sawing some 400 cords of shuck
timber which he has taken of Mr.
Morrill by the job. At the lower
mills Mr. Morrill is running a
birch crew and also a long lumber
crew, and the output of the three
mills is collectively quite an item
in the industrial account of the
town. Much of the timber sawed
at these mills belongs to Eben S.
Kilborn. Much manufactured
product is stacked in the yards
and a large lot of unmanufactured
timber, including some 400,000 feet
of hemlock is now in the mill pond.
The water is high in the stream
and all three mills are being run
at their full capacity.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured
by local applications as they cannot
reach the diseased portion of the ear.
There is only one way to cure deafness,
and that is by constitutional remedies.
Deafness is caused by an inflamed con-
dition of the mucous lining of the Eus-
tachian Tube. When this tube is in-
flamed you have a rumbling sound or
imperfect hearing, and when it is en-
tirely closed, Deafness is the result, and
unless the inflammation can be taken out
and this tube restored to its normal con-
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by catarrh, which is nothing but an in-
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"THE CITIZEN OF TO-MORROW."

Lecture by Dr. G. M. Twitchell, Ed-
itor of the Maine Farmer,
Augusta.

Dr. Twitchell opened with a tes-
timonial to the beauty and attrac-
tiveness of Bethel, and a feeling
tribute to Dr. N. T. True, the old-
time principal of Gould's Acad-
emy, and then said in substance:
"He who, older or younger, faces
the new day, must be deeply con-
scious that heavy burdens are to
be imposed upon willing workers,
and complex problems will be placed
upon the slate of daily experience."

To the solving of these problems,
your earnest attention and mine
must be directed in the months be-
fore us. Rapidly we have been pass-
ing from simple to complex rela-
tions, and the citizen of to-morrow
must be a whole man equipped for
highest service."

After describing the great im-
provement in machinery and the
output of the same, this question
was asked: "Is this higher insight
into the law of mechanics, and
greater ability to control condi-
tions and reduce friction to apply
only in the realm of machinery?
Rather has it not a world-wide
application?" Is it not the divine
within us taking shape in ma-
terial things as we more or less
clearly and the steps leading into
the realm of larger attainments,
where manhood and woman-
hood are to sit enthroned?

"I rejoice that my boyhood was
sufficiently advanced to enable me,
to-day, to carry vivid recollections
of that great upheaval, which lifted
our nation out of the low level of
State Rights to the larger and bet-
ter conception of American citizen-
ship. To have lived and grown to
middle age in the last half of this
century, is the greatest blessing,
which could, thus far, be granted
any man; yet, as we see the ingath-
ering of the mighty energies for
the onrush of the next fifty years,
in which you are to be the active
forces in your chosen places, we re-
alize that we stand with only the
dawn glimmering in the east, and
that in the field of mechanics, in-
vention, art, science, literature,
in all these, there is promise of
such transcendent glory that we
would we might drink again at the
fountain of youth and be made
young for the contest which is to
come. I paint no vivid pictures
to-night, but I would I had the
ability to spread before you the
panorama of events transpiring to-
day, that we might catch some
faint conception of the tremen-
dous power of energy and wealth
of brain being expended to solve
the problems, which, in their solu-
tion, are to add to the sum total of
human happiness.

"First of all, it seems to me, we
have been accepting conclusions
and not reaching after causes.
Can you who live upon these farms
unravel Nature's simple secrets?
Can you tell me how the grass
grows, or the leaves start, by what
power the sap which has been flow-
ing so freely, these past weeks, is so
soon to become changed into a ring
of woody fibre, which will with-
stand a thousand blasts.

"And yet by the sweat of the
brow, more of this knowledge is to
be sought, for man must have do-
minion. To my mind, the greatest
criticism against our present sys-
tem of education is that these sim-
ple, every-day mysteries have not
claimed our attention as they
should. Discipline of the brain has
been sought by more difficult paths
and that true love for the country,
which must always lie close to the
life of the city, has not been stim-
ulated by study and investigation.

This town and its neighbors, must
ever be the home of those who till
the soil. From these quiet sur-
roundings are to be sent in the fu-
ture as in the past, strong men and
women who are to help make
the civilization of the twentieth
century. The quality of their
work will largely depend upon the
quality of their training here.

If the foundation has been
firmly set in love of nature and
natural things, if the eye has been
trained and the brain has been
stimulated in the effort to grasp
the thought just hidden below the
surface of the earth, then will they
be quick to see and prompt to act
in other fields. The years but
strengthen the conviction that he,
who would compass most in this
life, must first be well grounded in
the story which Nature is all the
while seeking to unfold. I would
urge you young people, who are to
go out to teach, that you strive to
open the eyes of those under your
care, by the sweat of your brows
that they may see more of the
marvelous things all about them,
so commonplace as to be unnoted;
that they may be led to feel the
majesty and the dignity as well as
the matchless beauty and har-
mony working in every manifestation

of Nature's bounty or grandeur.

If these farms are to be filled by
men whose hands are to be made
willing servants of that higher
power, the brain, as they must be
if they are to do more than afford
a mere subsistence, if these homes
are to be guarded by large hearted,
noble minded women as they must
be if from them are to go the
strength and vigor of the town,
then it behooves you who are to
train the young, that you set the
currents firm and strong, towards
a love for natural things. Com-
pass you may, the wonderfully well
played. In fact, it seemed anez-
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the Festival, in which case, the
whole composition will be given,
will certainly awaken enthusiasm
among those who recently heard it.
Those climbing chords with their
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by Tschakowsky, is to mark a
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Maine Symphony Orchestra Concert.

Once more the fortunate people
present at the annual concert, lis-
tened, wondered, and then depart-
ed, feeling that their highest antici-
pations had been more than real-
ized.

The great symphony was, of
course, the central point of inter-
est, both for its dignity and beauty
of construction, and as a test of the
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The Apple-Tree.

Red and white, sweet and bright,
Bloom of the apple-tree,
O'er the sod smile and nod
Beautiful, fair, and free.
Through the night in the light
Shed by the vernal moon,
Through the day in the ray
Cast by the sun at noon.
White and red, overhead,
Bloom of the apple-tree,
At my feet fair and sweet
Spreading a rug for me.
Quickly fled, then instead
Soon shall I looking see,
Fresh and fair, rich and rare
Fruit of the apple-tree.

—LALLA MITCHELL.

SOPHRONA BABCOCK'S SUCCESSOR.

BY FANNIE L. FANCHER.

Sophrona Babcock had been in
her grave a year and a day, when
her lonely spouse took to the hy-
menal altar—or rather to the vil-
lage justice—another bride, vow-
ing, as before, to "love and cher-
ish, till death do us part."

That Lemuel Babcock had long
contemplated this step was no se-
cret, from unmistakable signs;
such as his tearing down the leaky
old "lean-to," and building a com-
modious kitchen and woodshed,
and also adding an ornamental
porch to the east front of his dwell-
ing.

These improvements, together
with two coats of cream paint with
pale lavender trimmings, complet-
ely metamorphosed the old farm
home. The grounds and shrub-
bery, too, had come in for a share of
attention.

Many of the departed "Sophr-
ny's" friends looked on, and sadly
wished that the poor woman, who
had labored so hard for more than
a score of years, and who had longed
for these very improvements,
might return to enjoy them. But
having been a conscientious wife
and mother, her reward was, per-
haps, better, at this time, than
could be the possession of any fine
earthly mansion.

To be sure she had developed, a
few years before her death, a tem-
per that was somewhat cantanker-
ous. Ill health, together with her
constant repression of desire for
beauty and ornamentation, be it
ever so meagre, in her sordid, mo-
notonous life, had somewhat em-
bittered her disposition. Her pa-
tience and long suffering, had per-
haps ceased to be a virtue. Her
strong sense of justice, too, render-
ed her less submissive to her un-
congenial environment. She felt
that her years of labor had been
for naught, when not a dollar could
she control. Had she been allow-
ed even a servant's wages for these
years of downright drudgery, she
could expend an ample sum upon
home comforts and adorning, since
her clothing had cost yearly but a
mere trifle.

And many wondered if a thought
of his faithful wife, and her long-
ings for things that she had a right
to demand, now touched the heart
of the slow-going Lem Babcock.
If a vestige of remorse marred, in
the least, his anticipations of fu-
ture conjugal happiness!

After Lem had improved the old
homestead, the "fixin'-up" process
did not stop there; for his nearest
neighbor would scarce recognize in
him the parsimonious widower of
nearly sixty years of age, so spruce-
ly arrayed was he, the Sabbath pre-
ceding his nuptials.

And the Widow Slocum, too,
added a few more furbelows to her
"fair, fat, and forty" figure. She
was an exceedingly well-preserved
woman; for hard labor and exces-
sive child bearing, and child car-
ing, had not been her lot. After
but five years of married life, her
husband, Tom Slocum, died leav-
ing her comfortably fixed; and, as
the only village milliner, she had
supplied, for years, her necessities,
and also many of the luxuries of
life. Hence she had made sure of
bettering herself ere she again
entered the state matrimonial.

She had, of course cultivated a
saucy manner,—her business suc-
cess demanded this,—yet, how
could she be other than cheerful,
when naught but content filled her
life! As the wife of prosperous
Lem Babcock, she anticipated the
ending of her days in comfort and
even affluence.

Jane Slocum had no worries ov-
er prospective step-children, since
the daughters—four in number—
had all married, and lived in var-
ious parts of the country. Scarcely
the only surviving son, had run
away from home in early man-
hood, and was supposed to be in the
far west. His inability to get on
with his father was not the least
of his mother's trials. By her side,
in the cemetery, were four small
graves,—her children, three sons
and one daughter, whom her
overwork had so robbed of vitality,
that they did not survive infancy.
A year has rapidly passed since

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The Home.

A Book.

There is no frigate like a book
To take us leagues away,
Nor any courier like a page
Of prancing poetry.
This travels may the poorest take
Without oppress of toil;
How frugal is the chariot
That bears a human soul!
—Emily Dickinson.

For Mothers.

To bring up a child in

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Men's all wool, Blue and Gray Clay at \$6.50 and \$6.75 a suit.

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| Men's Worsted Pants, | at \$1.98 a pair |
| Boys' all wool Suits | at \$1.75 each |
| Boys' Sailor Suits | at .99 each |
| 100 dozen Silk Band Bows | at .12 1-2 |
| 100 dozen Men's soft percale Shirts, regular 50c quality, | at 29c each |
| 200 dozen Black and Tan Hose | at 10c a pair, 3 for 25c |
| 100 dozen 15c Suspenders | at 8c a pair |

\$1.00 COUPON.

Yankee Watch

Given Away!

This coupon will be received as part payment on any purchase of \$10.00 or over, on Saturday, May 20th.

To every customer purchasing goods to the amount of Ten dollars or upwards at one time. Fully guaranteed.

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Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers,

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SPRINGTIME

demands that you lay away that old suit and come out with something lighter. The change will not cost you much if you buy here. We will sell you a neat brown plaid suit, all wool for \$5. Made with good trimmings and fitting as a good suit should fit. If you want a better one we have that, too—\$6 to \$15. We can't describe them all here. You must come in and see them. About spring Overcoats. They are here for \$5, \$6, \$7.50, and \$10. Large assortment of spring furnishings.

Money Back if not Satisfied.

H. B. FOSTER,

OPERA HOUSE BLOCK, NORWAY, ME.

WOMAN AND HOME.

AMY MARKLEY'S TRIALS AND TRIUMPHS AS A FARMER.

There are Two Ways—The Wife of a Genius—Duty of Child Training. Egyptian Beauties—Penny Wise and Pound Foolish.

My present experience is one of pleasure, arising from the consciousness of triumph over my efforts to gain success in business after many obstacles have been overcome.

I reside within a few miles of where I was born, at Lima, Delaware county, Pa., where I own and manage a farm of 30 acres. My last surviving parent died in 1889, leaving me homeless and without support, being unmarried also.

Being for the first time thrown on my own resources, I had to find what I was best adapted for. Fairly educated, but not thoroughly enough to warrant taking a lucrative situation, my only chance appeared to be as a servant or a seamstress. Reared in the seclusion of a refinement, the former was distasteful, the latter injurious to health, my mind ever turning to the freedom of home and accustomed outdoor exercises, with the desire of securing a permanent home. Possessing a good deal of energy, good reputation, kind friends and three shares in the Media Building association, nearly matured, I bought my farm in 1890, nearly covered with mortgage.

To buy live stock and farming implements I borrowed \$300 from one of two men owning adjoining property. Favorably started, three years passed away so quickly and pleasantly, except for hard work, that I began thinking my undertaking was going to be fully realized with success in a short time.

But obstacles of such a disagreeable nature that one of more years and experience would have found it difficult to surmount and pass them were awaiting me.

The cause of trouble was covetousness for my farm, which was a more valuable tract of land than it was thought proper for "nobody better than a woman" to own.

The man who had loaned the \$300 was unmarried. About the beginning of my fourth year, without encouragement and much to my displeasure, this man approached me with a proposition of marriage on condition that I accept his \$300 and alter the deed of my property to his favor.

The offer was refused, and shortly after I received notice that the \$300 must be paid by a given date, or the sheriff would seize and sell my property.

Although I took great pride in the stock I had selected with care, I sold it to pay the debt and secure peace. The next attack was when two strange men came seeking to buy my farm, offering what appeared to be a good price for it in water bonds or stock. My suspicions being aroused, I refused the offer and soon after found that the water bonds were almost worthless.

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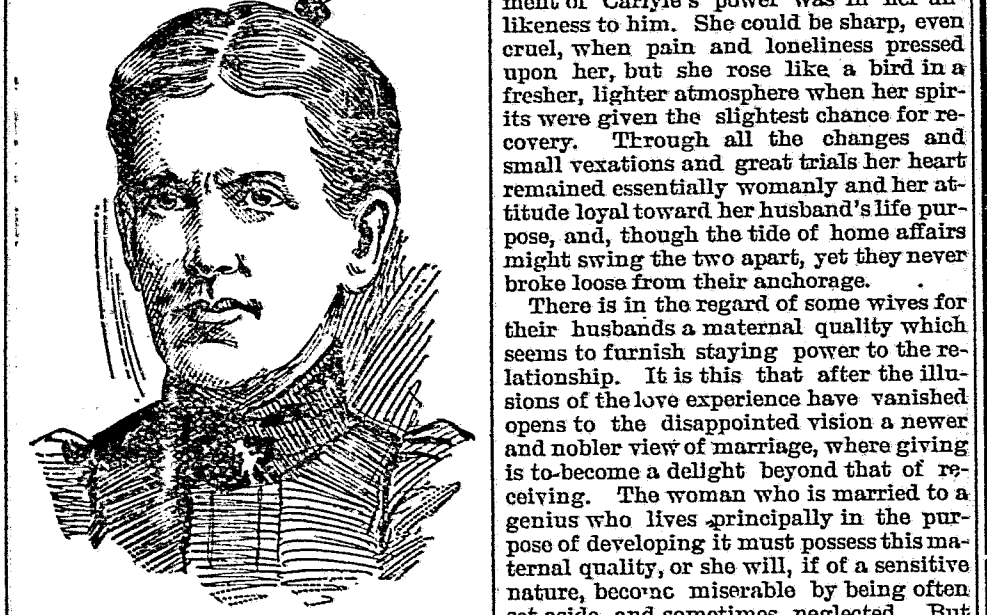
A clear character abroad reproach being my only riches and all I really possessed to build success in business, I could not allow such gross calumnies but sought legal advice to stop further annoyance. I passed through the trial highly respected but commented by the court for my energy and perseverance.

From public sympathy and sentiment that a woman's ambition should be respected in her efforts to gain success, I found in the end the friendship of old friends greatly increased and many new ones made. By the aid of the latter I restocked my farm, with bright prospects and greatly increased determination to succeed, which I have fully realized. For nearly five years I have lived with much peace and comfort, following an occupation I enjoy, with plenty of returns for my labor to make it successful.—Amy Markley in New York World.

The Wife of a Genius.

Those who have gained a view of Jane Welsh Carlyle's life, through her letters, have some of them felt indignant at her originality, wit and sparkle were hidden away, that her energies might be given to the physical, domestic and social side of her life. But a reader with insight must have discovered the fact that she had a part in the great achievements of her husband rather than supplying the changes and small vexations and great trials her heart remained essentially womanly and her attitude toward her husband's life pure and unselfish. Her life of duty and devotion to his work, yet they never broke loose from their anchorage.

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Duty of Child Training.

Most parents wish their children to behave well—to be obedient and respectful to parents, their teachers and others; to be kind one to another; to be cheerful, helpful and unselfish. How do they go about accomplishing their wish? Why in so many cases do they fail of its consummation?

Have they tried to prepare conscientiously for the duty of child training? Have they learned self control? Do they study the children they attempt to train? Do they set their object in the child's future good or rest it merely in the comfort and convenience of the present?

No teacher, no parent, no friend, first of all, parents must make themselves worthy of it. The second step is to study the child's disposition, not to cater to it, but to make allowance for any peculiarities in it in their demands.

You would not think of requiring of a child anything beyond his physical strength. That would be cruel. Yet your demands are even more so if beyond his mental or moral aptitude thereof, and the child is often utterly unable to explain to you the feelings that possess or subvert him. He is unable to explain to you the feelings that possess or subvert him. He is unable to explain to you the feelings that possess or subvert him.

No one can command respect from others who lack self respect, and to whom you would teach your children to be respectful you must show respect.

Parents who degrade themselves in their children's eyes by omitting the marks of common courtesy toward each other or engage in dispute or recrimination in their presence can hardly hope to have their children do better. I have heard parents profess to wish their children to show respect to their teachers, yet almost in the same breath they speak disrespectfully of their teachers.—Housekeeper.

Egyptian Beauties.

The Egyptian women attain to perfect growth at a very early age. At 10 they generally reach their physical development. From the ages of 14 to 20 they may be said to be models of beauty in body and limb, and while their faces are usually pleasing, many of them are exceedingly lovely, as an exchange. Their faces are oval, though sometimes inclined to be broad; their complexion is of the olive, and their hair is of the blackest, and rather full, though not partaking of the negro character. The hair is a deep, glossy black, often coarse and crisp, but never woolly. The eyes are of the hazel color, their features, being, with slight exceptions, black. They are large and of the long almond shape, with beautiful, long lashes and an exquisitely soft and bewitching expression. Eyes more lovely cannot be conceived. Their hair is much heightened by the use of the henna, and the edges of the eyelids, both upper and lower, with the eyelids, are painted with a black, and the black paint is composed of the small glass vessels carried in pairs in a fan-like embroidered bag, is applied with a small ivory probe. This is first moistened with rosewater and dipped into the powder and drawn along the edge of the eyelids. This custom has prevailed from very ancient times, as seen by the sculptures and paintings and the tombs.

Penny Wise.

An exchange tells the following anecdote to illustrate the strange workings of some feminine minds:

It was in an auction store, just before the auctioneer announced the goods were being sold privately to those who desired to buy. A well dressed woman was examining a bit of jewelry and the auctioneer said: "What is the price of this?" she asked.

"That will cost you \$4, madam," replied the salesman.

"Can't you shade that figure a bit?" "No, can't possibly take a cent less. But I'll tell you what I'll do. If you wait a few moments, the auction will be started, and I'll place the article under the hammer. You might then be able to buy it for almost nothing."

The woman said she would wait.

Twenty minutes later the auctioneer began the sale. There were some half dozen people in the store. The lot of jewelry in question was placed on the counter and bid by. Some one offered 50 cents and then \$1 was bid, \$2 followed, and then \$3. The last bid was made by the woman who had been examining the jewelry before the sale. A gentleman came in, looked at the article and calmly said: "I like that. I'll give you \$4."

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Room for the Children.

As to entertaining children on a rainy day, one very excellent way is by having a spare apartment somewhere about the premises which can be set apart as a "play room." It need not be in any way pretentious. A few disused pieces of furniture, with the means for making it comfortable and warm on cold days, will answer all purposes.

Constitution, Headache, Biliousness, Heartburn, Indigestion, Dizziness,

Indicate that your liver is out of order. The best medicine to rouse the liver and cure all these ills, is found in

Hood's Pills

25 cents. Sold by all medicine dealers.

Treats with you whether you continue the liver's natural functions, or whether you have the liver's functions arrested by indigestion, heartburn, biliousness, dizziness, etc. It is a powerful purgative, and it is a powerful purgative, and it is a powerful purgative.

STOP SMOKING.

It is a well known fact that one who smokes is a weakling. It is a well known fact that one who smokes is a weakling. It is a well known fact that one who smokes is a weakling.

TRUE'S PIN WORM EXFIR

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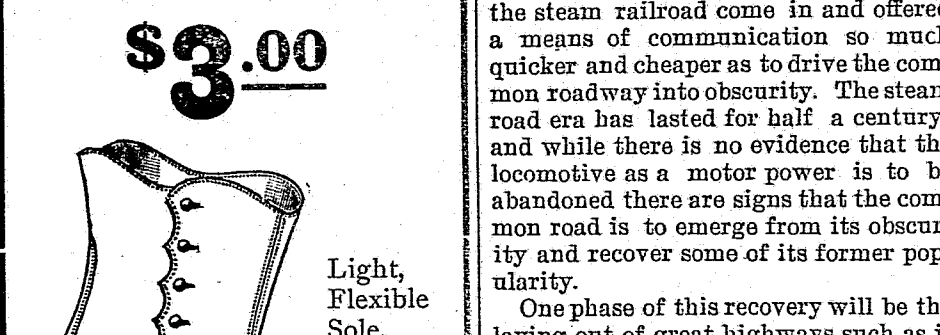
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Light, Flexible, Very Shapely and Easy.

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GEYLON ROWE.

poses, and if it is so located that the children can romp and make noise to their hearts' content so much the better. Circumstances will determine the means of diversion to be furnished, but given half a chance, the average group of children will make their own diversion by means of playthings of which they will never tire. Who that has lived in the country does not recall the frolics in the barn or the wood shed which we as adults find many an otherwise tedious hour or the diversions which an attic with its treasures and a well chosen and well equipped playground should be as free and unconventional as these, but with additional comforts and equipment.—Good Housekeeping.

New She's Getting Taller.

Is the athletic girl to pay the penalty of her fondness for outdoor sports by growing so fast and so much as to end in the long run by overtopping her friends? The Herald, in an article on the subject, says: "This disparity in height has been noticed particularly at some recent weddings, and a wall comes to us from the young girls still attending dancing schools that they, as a rule, are tall, while boys all short, and the consequence is that the most favorable to the spirit, the most favorable to the spirit, the most favorable to the spirit."

Ten Beasts For Every Girl.

With the bacchels, outnumbering the girls in the Union is ought to be easy for the unmarried women to secure a partner anywhere, but the region where bacchels are most in excess is of course the most fertile to the spinsters, since the abundance of unmarried men gives her a wider range of choice. From a million points of view, the girl who is not exactly at her best, but available as a husband. From most points of view, the girl who is not exactly at her best, but available as a husband.

Coffee, Music and Women.

Vienna, the capital of Austria, is chiefly noted for producing the most beautiful music and women. The word "jolly" describes the temper of the Viennese woman. She lives only for today, and she lets the morrow take care of itself. She is as good a housekeeper as her German sister, but not quite so particular; she is quite as economical, but dresses herself more artistically; she is just as good a mother, but a more loving wife. She is somewhat nervous, and the quarrel with her husband is as regular as the moon in her prayer.

The Domestic Woman.

The woman who lives on farms and who works from 5 in the morning till 8 at night at milking, cooking, cleaning, sewing and butter making are never described as being "thoroughly domestic" and "dearly loving their homes." It is the woman who sees very little of her home and who lets a servant run things who is so described. The poor farmer's wife probably doesn't love her home any more than a prisoner loves his cell.—Aitchison Globe.

Strawberry.

Raspberry & Blackberry. G. A. Brock. Sale. G. A. Brock. Sale. G. A. Brock. Sale.

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We have just unloaded a lot of Timothy, Red Top, and Hungarian Seed.

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Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

SCOTT'S EMULSION

to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

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Cottage for Sale.

Situated on Eastern side of Lake Penneesseewassee, Norway, Oxford Co., Maine.

50 miles from Portland, Me., 2 miles from Norway Village. Cottage 18x28, story and a half, 24-foot piazza on three sides, all extension 12x14, one acre of land with pine grove on shore of lake, steamer land at wharf near cottage twice a day. The house connected with sufficient ice for season. Cottage furnished with stove, dishes, beds, chairs, etc. An extended view up and down the lake. Price \$800.00. Easement for ten years. All details, satisfaction guaranteed. 10c, 25c, 50c.

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Send this in a minute to the editor of the Aerial Top, Portland, Me. Fly 30 yards! Send this in a minute to the editor of the Aerial Top, Portland, Me. Fly 30 yards!

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According to the Standard of the Insurance Department of the State of New York.

INCOME.	
Received for Premiums.....	\$42,318,748 51
From all other Sources.....	12,087,880 92
	\$55,006,629 43
DISBURSEMENTS.	
To Policy-holders for Claims by Death.....	\$13,265,908 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.....	11,453,751 35
For all other Accounts.....	10,493,379 53
	\$35,213,038 88
ASSETS.	
United States Bonds and other Securities.....	\$160,956,141 33
First Lien Loans on Real Estate.....	65,503,830 90
Loans on Bonds and other Securities.....	9,306,619 00
Real Estate, appraised by Insurance Superintendents at \$25,534,826.88: Book Value.....	20,604,419 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies.....	11,631,377 36
Accrued Interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.....	6,434,937 16
	\$277,517,325 36
LIABILITIES.	
Policy Reserves, etc.....	\$238,058,640 68
Contingent Guaranty Fund.....	42,238,684 68
Divisible Surplus.....	2,220,000 00
	\$282,517,325 36
Insurance and Annuities in force.....	\$971,711,907 70

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department, Chas. A. Preller, Auditor.

NOTE—Insurance merely written is discarded from this Statement as misleading, and only insurance actually issued and paid for is cashed.

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